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City of Barrie

Minutes - Final

Heritage Barrie Committee

Wednesday, April 14, 2021 | **6:30 PM** | **Virtual Meeting**

For consideration by the City Building Committee on May 11, 2021

The meeting was called to order by Chair, Councillor, C. Riepma at 6:32 p.m. The following were in attendance for the meeting:

Present: 8 - Councillor C. Riepma
Councillor J. Harris
Vice Chair C. Froese
C. Colebatch
D. Exel
K. MacKinnon
S. Mackinnon
D. Moore

STAFF:
Committee Support Clerk, T. Maynard
Planner, T. Wierzba.

The Heritage Barrie Committee met and reports as follows:

SECTION "A"

DEVELOPMENT APPLICATIONS UNDER REVIEW

70-72 DUNLOP STREET EAST SIGN INSTALL - AMENDED APPLICATION TO AMEND APPLICATION TO ALTER DESIGNATED HERITAGE BUILDING

Councillor, C. Riepma provided a brief overview regarding the application to install a sign on a designated heritage building at 70 and 72 Dunlop Street East. Councillor Riepma advised that the applicant had decided to make a change to the sign already approved by Council for 70 and 72 Dunlop Street East and has submitted an amended application to alter the Heritage Designation for approval.

Sean Mills from Signs n Display described the difference between the approved sign and proposed changes to the signage for 70 and 72 Dunlop Street East. He explained that the proposed design of the sign would include a black background with white lettering, be larger in size and backlit.

Mr. Mills discussed that a permanent rail would then be attached to the building at 70-72 Dunlop Street East and then signage affixed to the rail so that the sign can be removed and replaced easily. He provided an overview of the drawings related to the design sign for 70-72 Dunlop Street East.

Mr. Mills noted that this design proposal gives the capability to preserve the historical building instead of drilling more holes into the building when installing or replacing signage particularly if there happens to be a change in occupancy. Mr. Mills commented that the proposed signage was designed in keeping with the heritage guidelines and the *Ontario Heritage Act.*

The Committee asked a number of questions of Mr. Mills and Mr. Wierzba.

T. Wierzba, Planner explained that the mandate of the Committee is to review and make recommendations to Council regarding signage on heritage buildings.

The Committee discussed and agreed with the proposed changes to the signage for the heritage building located at 70 and 72 Dunlop Street East as was discussed at their April 14, 2021 meeting.

125 AND 127 DUNLOP STREET EAST

T. Wierzba, Planner provided an update regarding 125 and 127 Dunlop Street East. He commented that he will be contacting the property owner of 125 and 127 Dunlop Street to discuss the potential of designating their property as heritage and that he will provide an update at a future meeting.

The Heritage Barrie Committee met and recommends adoption of the following recommendation(s):

SECTION "B"

70 AND 72 DUNLOP STREET EAST SIGN INSTALL - AMENDED APPLICATION TO AMEND APPLICATION TO ALTER DESIGNATED HERITAGE BUILDING

That consent be granted in accordance with Section 33 and 34 of the *Ontario Heritage Act* for the proposed alteration to a building designated under the *Ontario Heritage Act*, being 70 and 72 Dunlop Street East for the purpose of installing a sign described as having a black background with white lettering, being larger in size and backlit at the Heritage Barrie Committee meeting dated April 14, 2021.

This matter was recommended to City Building Committee for consideration of adoption at its meeting to be held on 5/11/2021.

SECTION "C"

STATUS OF MUNICIPAL HERITAGE REGISTER

T. Wierzba, Planner provided an update concerning the Status of the Municipal Heritage Register. Mr. Wierzba advised that he will be contacting the property owners of the Simcoe County Gaol and the Barrie Armoury concerning the Municipal Heritage Register and that he will report back to the Committee.

DISCUSSION OF POTENTIAL HERITAGE AND TOURISM STAKEHOLDERS COLLABORATION

The Committee discussed hosting a potential Heritage and Tourism Stakeholders Meeting.

C. Colebatch explained that there are many organizations and groups within Barrie that are interested in heritage such as Tourism Barrie, MacLaren Art and Allandale Neighbourhood Association who are working on different projects She felt that a Heritage and Tourism Stakeholders meeting would be beneficial and provide the opportunity to engage with these organizations and groups in order to find out what they are doing and to discuss possible opportunities to collaborate on heritage projects that would promote and educate the residents in Barrie.

Councillor Riepma suggested coordinating the Heritage and Tourism Stakeholders Meeting for June, 2021.

The Committee provided suggestions to Ms. Colebatch for potential agenda items and stakeholders to be invited to the meeting. T. Wierzba, Planner suggested Ms. Colebatch review the Committee's work plan for potential agenda items. Mr. Wierzba advised that there is an application (app) entitled "On this Spot" which the Committee may be interested in looking into as a potential heritage resource tool.

C. Colebatch advised that she will put together a structure for the agenda and a list of organizations and report back at the next meeting.

UPDATES FROM COMMITTEE

PUBLIC ART ALLANDALE GO STATION AND TRANSIT HUB

Councillor, J. Harris provided an update regarding the public art project listed on the Committee's work plan for the Allandale GO Station and Transit Hub.

Councillor Harris explained that he had a meeting with City staff and stakeholders regarding heritage art at the Allandale GO Station and Transit Hub and he received positive feedback. He described that the next steps would be to develop a proposal outlining the scope and concept of the public art project including the key partners which would then be provided to City staff.

The Committee provided feedback to Councillor J. Harris and received responses.

C. Colebatch suggested that there storyboards, particularly located in the Allandale area that describe some of Barrie's rail history.

HISTORIC ART ON UTILITY BOXES AND PLANTING TREES IN MILITARY HERITAGE PARK

C. Froese, Vice-Chair provided a presentation concerning two projects listed on the Committee's work plan regarding the historic art on utility boxes and planting trees in the Military Heritage Park.

Mr. Froese discussed slides concerning the following topics:

- A historical background of the Graffiti Abatement project;
- Photographs depicting historic art on utility boxes in Downtown Barrie;
- A list of potential locations in Barrie for historical wraps on utility boxes;
- Photographs depicting sample utility boxes for possible historic wraps;
- A historical background of the trees planted in Honour of Veterans at Military Heritage Park;
- An area map depicting the marching forest of the Military Heritage Park and Southshore Naturalization; and
- The next steps and potential costs associated with trees.

In closing. Mr. Froese described that the intent is to have 327 trees planted in the Military Heritage Park which is intended to honour soldiers from Barrie who died in the wars. He suggested that a memorial plaque would be beneficial to explain the marching forest concept and rationale for the trees as an addition to the project. Mr. Froese commented that he will provide an update at a future meeting regarding the historic art on utility boxes and trees in the Military Heritage Park.

The members of Committee asked a number of questions of Mr. Froese and received responses.

CORRESPONDENCE BARRIE AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION OF REALTORS (BDAR) REGARDING HISTORIC HOMES

C. Colebatch advised that she has drafted the correspondence for the Barrie and District Association of Realtors (BDAR) regarding historic homes in Barrie and will forward it to the Committee for their review and feedback.

The meeting adjourned at 8:05 p.m.

CHAIRMAN